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# ARS Annual Awards

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE



### ARS Annual Awards Ceremony U.S. Department of Agriculture June 10, 1987

### **Program**

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Director

Personnel Division

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T.B. Kinney, Jr. Administrator

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### **ARS Science Hall of Fame Awards**

### 1986

### **Edward F. Knipling**

For pioneering research and leadership in development of the sterile insect technique, which led to the eradication of the screwworm, and of other technologies to suppress and manage insect pests.

### Howard L. Bachrach

For pioneering research on the molecular biology of foot-andmouth disease that led to development of the world's first effective subunit vaccine for any disease of animals or humans through the use of gene splicing.

### Myron K. Brakke

For consistent, career-long valuable contributions to basic knowledge in virology, particularly plant virology.

### Glenn W. Burton

For outstanding achievements in forage and turf science, which have had extraordinary effects on the forage-based cattle industry, the turf industry, and agriculture worldwide.

### Wilson A. Reeves

For outstanding research and leadership in the field of textile chemical finishing that has significantly benefited agriculture and consumers.

### **Ernest R. Sears**

For pioneering work in wheat genetics and for discoveries on chromosomal mechanisms that established standards in animal, plant, and human genetics.

### Orville A. Vogel

For development of the first useful semidwarf wheats and of innovative production systems that made the Pacific Northwest a major source of soft white wheat, inspired similar research efforts throughout the world, and sparked the Green Revolution.

### Cecil H. Wadleigh

For elucidating the mechanisms through which crops respond to salinity and water stress and for inspired planning and leadership that enabled and motivated those who worked with him to expand and make use of knowledge of soils, water, and air, and their interactions with plants.

### **Department Honor Awards**

### **Distinguished Service**

### William M. Doane Peoria, Illinois

For creative personal research and team leadership resulting in new technologies that create nontraditional markets for cereal grains.

### Biopolymer Research Group Peoria, Illinois

J. Michael Gould-Group Leader

Lee B. Dexter Richard V. Greene Brian K. Jasberg

For pioneering research efforts leading to enhanced value and new markets for agricultural byproducts as feed and food components.

# Fermented Dairy Products Group Wyndmoor, Pennsylvania

George A. Somkuti-Group Leader

Joseph F. Flanagan Eugene J. Guy Virginia H. Holsinger Marvin P. Thompson

For distinguished research resulting in the production of lactose reduced milk products for lactose intolerant individuals.

### **Superior Service**

# Michael D. Christensen Beltsville, Maryland

For outstanding contributions resulting in responsive and efficient personnel management in Agricultural Research Service.

### Philip C. Kearney Beltsville, Maryland

For outstanding research and world leadership in chemical and biological methods for degradation of pesticide wastes that has greatly reduced the environmental impact of pesticide use.

# Clinton E. Peterson Madison, Wisconsin

For developing improved carrots, cucumbers, and onions that increase markets for producers and provide an increasingly nutritious and varied diet for the American consumer.

### **NIRS Forage Research Group**

Franklin E. Barton, II—Coleader—Athens, Georgia Gordon C. Marten—Coleader—St. Paul, Minnesota

Stephen M. Abrams

Robert F. Barnes

David H. Clark

Samuel W. Coleman

Wilda H. Martinez

Karl H. Norris

\*John S. Shenk

William C. Templeton, Jr.

\*Mark O. Westerhaus

William R. Windham

For an exceptional team research effort in development of near infrared reflectance spectroscopy as a system for rapid measurement of nutritive value of forages and foodstuffs.

# Walnut Quarantine Treatment Research Group Fresno, California

Patrick V. Vail-Group Leader

Rodney D. Fries Howard Nelson Rose K. Harikian Jane C. Tebbets Preston L. Hartsell John S. Tebbets

For opening the Japanese export market to American grown walnuts by devising a safe, effective walnut fumigation technique acceptable to the United States and Japan.

<sup>\*</sup>State employees

### **ARS Winners Nominated By Other Agencies**

### **Distinguished Service**

### Food Technology Branch, OICD

David A. Fellers, Team Member

For imaginative and resourceful technical assistance to developing countries to help reduce nutritional blindness and other adverse effects of vitamin A deficiency.

### **Superior Service**

### APHIS/ARS Group on Alfalfa Weevil Biological Control

Richard Dysart—Coleader

Leon Coles Jack R. Coulson William H. Day John J. Drea, Jr. Roger W. Fuester Benjamin Puttler Reese Sailor

For outstanding APHIS/ARS group effort in developing and implementing a successful nationwide biological control program against the alfalfa weevil.

### **ECONO-RICE Research Group, CSRS/ARS**

Charles N. Bollich-Coleader

Marco A. Marchetti Bill D. Webb

For outstanding and unique research integrating USDA/ARS, TAES, and rice producer resources into a highly productive varietal improvement and production management research program—ECONO-RICE.

### Wolf Foundation Prize in Agriculture

The Wolf Foundation awards six prizes annually for achievements in agriculture, medicine, chemistry, physics, mathematics, and the arts.

Theodor O. Diener Beltsville, Maryland

For the discovery of viroids, the smallest subviral pathogens, which cause disease in tomatoes, potatoes, citrus, avocados, and other crops.

### Arthur S. Flemming Award

This award, sponsored by the Downtown Jaycees of Washington, DC, annually honors 10 outstanding young men and women in the Federal Government—5 in the scientific or technical field and 5 in the administrative management field.

Richard F. Wilson Raleigh, North Carolina

For outstanding achievement as a research scientist for pioneering contributions in the regulation of fatty acid synthesis, the development of soybeans with improved oil quality, and for research leadership.

### Dr. Daniel E. Salmon Award

This award, sponsored by the National Association of Federal Veterinarians, is presented annually to recognize outstanding contributions and notable service in the public's interest by a federally employed veterinarian.

Steven R. Bolin Ames, Iowa

For outstanding contributions to animal health and welfare as a result of continuing research productivity in studies of viral diseases of cattle and swine.

# ARS Winners of Awards From Other Organizations—con.

# Women in Science and Engineering (WISE) Lifetime Achievement Award

This award, sponsored by the National Science Foundation, recognizes the sustained scientific and technical contributions by a woman scientist or engineer in the Federal Service.

Frances Meehan Latterell Frederick, Maryland

For outstanding scientific research as a plant pathologist studying the effect of diseases on rice and corn and for serving as a role model for younger scientists.

### **Excellence in Technology Transfer Award**

This award, sponsored by the Federal Laboratory Consortium, recognizes Federal laboratory employees who have done outstanding work in transferring technology.

Henry P. Fleming Raleigh, North Carolina

For research, development, and effective technology transfer of the closed-tank system for brine fermentation of cucumbers.

### J. Michael Gould Peoria, Illinois

For development and implementation of direct technology transfer efforts with the alkaline peroxide treatment process.

James D. Rhoades Riverside, California

For conceiving, developing, and generating the commercialization of instrumentation and techniques for rapid in-field measurements of soil electrical conductivity.

# Forage and Turfgrass Research Team Athens, Georgia

Glenn W. Burton-Group Leader

James L. Butler

Wayne W. Hanna

Alva W. Johnson

Robert E. Lynch

John D. Miller

Warren G. Monson

Homer D. Wells

For outstanding contributions and exceptional scope of influence for the forage and turfgrass improvement in the southeastern United States and throughout most of the warm, humid regions of the world.

The Secretary of Agriculture and the Director of the Office of Personnel Management recently approved a \$25,000 cash award for this group, attesting to the significance of their research. In the 33 year history of the Federal Incentive Awards Program, this is only the 21st time an award of this amount, or higher, has been granted.

The following employees of the University of Georgia are also members of this team:

Michael H.E. Dujardin

Gary M. Hill

Joseph C. Johnson

W.C. McCormick Phillip R. Utley

### **Career Service Recognition**

### For 30 Years of Federal Service

Iris Y. Ballew Information Staff

Howard J. Brooks National Program Staff

Gerald E. Carlson Midwest Area

Calvert Hawkins General Services Division

Constance M. Hoffman (Retired) Financial Management Division

Hubert W. Kelley, Jr. Information Staff

Bernard F. Lammers General Services Division

Jean A. Mogel National Program Staff

Milton T. Ouye National Program Staff

Florence D. Toffon (Retired) General Services Division

### **Administrator's Council**

### T.B. Kinney, Jr., Administrator

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Thomas J. Clark

Gerald E. Carlson

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